

Connecticut General Assembly
Testimony Before the Environment Committee in Support of:
HB5733 An Act Requiring the State Treasurer to Divest Funds from Fossil Fuel Companies
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My name is Joyce Acebo~Raguskus of Milford, CT and I thank you for this privilege to speak in support of HB5733 An Act Requiring the State Treasurer to Divest Funds from Fossil Fuel Companies. As Chair of Diesel Cleanup, E.C.C. a result of assisting in the passing of SB1032, 2007 Retrofitting all of CT School buses it would behoove me not to continue my support in the health of the people as well as our trodden earth. This was monies well spent investing in our Children's health and a quality of life.

Our world is not the same and to invest and depend on fossil fuel sources will not satisfy the urgency of changes and the reality of effects on our climate, our earth, and the long time known health hazards for all living things.

The responsibly of the State Treasurer to review and update major investment holdings related to state funds invested in fossil fuel is many folds indeed and must go forward now investing in quality of life for humans that are limited in their visit here, to be also looked at in long, long term investing for the good and well being of mankind. **Fossil fuel served us, fossil thinking will never.**

This step to divest from Fossil Fuels I will encourage the reduction of CO2 Particulate Matter and other known chemical toxins and shift our earth resources to investing in non invasive resources and Green thinking to grow along with our generations of beings.

I strongly support HB5733 and applaud Representative Mushinsky for taking a step forward in wisdom in Co-sponsoring this most necessary measure HB5733 in support of requiring our State Treasurer to Divest funds from Fossil Fuel Companies and hope you on this essential Environment Committee all move with equal wisdom. The is the right thing to do.

**Thank you.
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